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Sir:

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

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SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

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